

You will feel anxious I know to learn the state of my health
It is much better - I was but little afflicted with sea-
sickness & when I recovered from that my appetite which
for some months had been very poor, returned & there is not
one at our table who eats with a better relish the
most solid food than I do. My breast is yet weak. I
cannot preach nor study very much, but recovering &
hope soon to be able to preach. It has become a proverb
on board Mr. Warren how fat you grow. Our food is very
good. We brought out a quantity of hens, ducks, pigs, & sheep, with
vegetables, bean berries dried, apples & such comforts, so that we
have fresh meat, pies & apple sauce frequently, but when
I drink coffee, ^{& tea} & eat butter I often think of your table. No
good coffee or tea or butter here. Our water is bad, & we have not any
milk; but we have great reason to be thankful that our wa-
ter is no worse, for the bapt. says it is much better than
it often is after being so long at sea. We have a very
excellent cook & a fine accommodating steward who make
puddings pies & cakes &c. My circumstances are so com-
& pleasant that I sometimes fear best I should forget &
this is not my home - that I am a stranger & a pilgrim
& am rapidly sailing across the sea of life to another
Oh! I should be happy - very happy, if I had not a
heart - but I find that the same wretched deceitful
which I used to have still cleaves fast to me, though
distanced by so many thousand miles from my beloved country &
so far from any part of the inhabited earth yet how diffi-
cult do I find it to keep the world under my feet -
Pray for me, my friend, that I may learn to live above
the world - that I may be prepared for the great & sol-
emn work of preaching as well by example as by doctrine
the unsearchable riches of Christ; & that I may be made
the instrument of bringing some poor souls among the
pagans to the only Saviour of perishing sinners.

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